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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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URGING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE INSTRUCTION IN  
CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION INTO HEALTH EDUCATION  
CURRICULUM FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE IN  
ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE STATE.

1 WHEREAS, of the four hundred thousand people who suffer an  
2 out-of-hospital cardiac arrest in the United States each year,  
3 only six percent survive the episode; and  
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5 WHEREAS, in the State, emergency medical services teams  
6 treat nearly one thousand one hundred cases of out-of-hospital  
7 cardiac arrest each year, with only nine percent of these  
8 victims surviving; and  
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10 WHEREAS, cities that have increased training for  
11 cardiopulmonary resuscitation have seen cardiac arrest survival  
12 rates reach up to sixty percent; and  
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14 WHEREAS, thirty-nine states and the District of Columbia  
15 have passed legislation requiring cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
16 training as a high school graduation requirement and at least  
17 seventy-five percent of public high school students in the  
18 United States that are graduating this year will have learned  
19 lifesaving cardiopulmonary resuscitation in their schools; and  
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21 WHEREAS, by incorporating cardiopulmonary resuscitation  
22 training, which can be completed in a single thirty-minute  
23 session, as an integral part of the health education curriculum  
24 for all students in grades nine through twelve in the State,  
25 there is a less likelihood that Hawaii residents will not feel  
26 helpless to act during a cardiac arrest emergency and survival  
27 rates for out-of-hospital cardiac arrests will increase; now,  
28 therefore,  
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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature  
31 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, the House of



1 Representatives concurring, that the Board of Education is urged  
2 to include instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation into  
3 health education curriculum for students in grades nine through  
4 twelve in all public schools in the State; and  
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any instruction in  
7 cardiopulmonary resuscitation be included in at least one health  
8 class required for graduation; and  
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any instruction in  
11 cardiopulmonary resuscitation include hands-on practicing of  
12 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and automated external  
13 defibrillator use and be in congruence with current, nationally  
14 recognized, evidence-based emergency care guidelines; and  
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public school may waive the  
17 instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation for any student who  
18 is unable to participate in hands-on practicing of  
19 cardiopulmonary resuscitation by reasons of disability; and  
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a local agency, entity of the  
22 State or local government, or other public or private  
23 organization that sponsors, authorizes, supports, finances, or  
24 supervises the instruction of students in compression-only  
25 cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated  
26 external defibrillator not be liable for any civil damages  
27 alleged to result from the acts or omissions of an individual  
28 who received such instruction; and  
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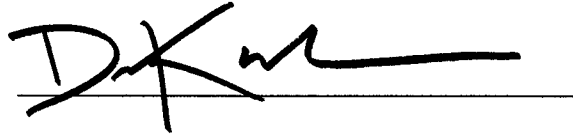
30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public employee who provides  
31 or facilitates the instruction of students in compression-only  
32 cardiopulmonary resuscitation or the use of an automated  
33 external defibrillator not be liable for any civil damages  
34 alleged to result from the acts or omissions of an individual  
35 who received such instruction; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chair of the Board  
3 of Education and Superintendent of Education.  
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OFFERED BY:

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